

News from the Wyoming Department of Health

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Rural Health Clinic Seminar Scheduled for June 25

The Wyoming Department of Health's Office of Rural Health is sponsoring a free seminar on Rural Health Clinic eligibility, reimbursement and billing.

Rural Health Clinics increase primary care services for Medicaid, Medicare and other patients in rural, underserved communities. The clinics can be public, private or non-profit organizations. Rural Health Clinic status leads to higher reimbursement rates for providing Medicaid and Medicare services in rural areas.

Evanston Regional Hospital is hosting the free "Rural Health Clinic Basics" workshop, which will be held on June 25 from 1-5 p.m. in Evanston. The location is the Historic Beeman-Cashin Building at 10 Tenth Street.

Representatives from Wyoming healthcare clinics considering whether to become a Rural Health Clinic, as well as those from current Rural Health Clinics will benefit by attending. Policymakers, clinicians, CEOs, clinic managers and anyone interested in Rural Health Clinics are encouraged to attend.

Presenter Mike Bell is a Spokane, Washington-based CPA who worked with more than 150 RHCs last year. Bell will review both independent and provider-based Rural Health Clinics.

Twenty of Wyoming's 23 counties are eligible for Rural Health Clinics.

To sign-up, contact Keri Wagner at Keri.Wagner1@health.wyo.gov, or (307) 777-6512. For more information, contact Jeff Hopkins at Jeff.Hopkins@health.wyo.gov, or (307) 777-2930.

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